

Montgomery County
Public Libraries
Suggested Reading 2004

Entering Grade 5

Juvenile Fiction

Alexander.+* **Book of Three.**

Taran may be only an assistant pig-keeper but he is chosen to save his kingdom from evil.

Amato. **Word Eater.**

A word-eating worm will determine whether Learner Chanse is a MPOOE or a SLUG.

Brooks.* **Freddy and the Baseball Team from Mars.**

Imagine watching a team of Martians coached by a pig.

Bunting.+ **Nasty, Stinky Sneakers.**

Why would anyone want to steal Colin's dirty, smelly sneakers?

Carbone.+ **Storm Warriors.**

Nathan wants to join the life-saving patrol at Pea Island in the Outer Banks.

Christopher. +* **Olympic Dreams.**

A dream forms when overweight Doug meets cyclist Red Roberts.

Di Terlizzi.+* **Field Guide.** (Spiderwick Chronicles)

After unhappily moving to a dilapidated old house, Mallory, Jared, and Simon find a field guide to fairies.

Duane.+ * **So You Want to Be a Wizard.**

A library book leads to another universe.

Eager.+* **Half Magic.**

Jane finds a magical old coin that grants just half of what she wishes.

Fleischman. **Seedfolks.**

A young girl, a few lima beans and a little hope transform a struggling neighborhood.

Hahn.+* **Doll in the Garden.**

Through the hedge and into the past.

Heneghan. **Flood.**

Andy's life is saved by leprechauns.

Henry. +* **King of the Wind: the Story of the Goldolphin Arabian.**

Agba is sent to France to care for the magnificent horse Sham.

Holland. **Paperboy.**

In New York, in 1881, a poor immigrant boy supports his family by selling newspapers.

Ibbotson. **To the River Sea.**

In 1910 wealthy orphaned Maia is sent to live with the greedy Carters in Brazil.

Lowry.+* **Anastasia Krupnik.**

Self-confident Anastasia has unconventional parents, a long name and a baby brother on the way!

Mahy.+***Good Fortunes Gang.**

Pete doesn't like moving to his Dad's hometown or meeting his Fortune cousins.

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Mead.+ **Junebug and the Reverend.**

Junebug moves to a better neighborhood where he is expected to help look after a cranky old man.

Naylor.+* **Beetles Lightly Toasted.**

Andy tries some interesting new recipes on his unsuspecting friends.

Orr.+ **Nim's Island.**

Nim lives happily on her own little island with a sea lion and an iguana for friends.

Park.+ **When My Name Was Keoko.**

It took courage to live during the Japanese occupation of Korea.

Skolsky.+ **Love from Your Friend, Hannah.**

Her pen pal is the President of the United States!

Sleator. **Rewind.**

Do you really get only one life to live?

Wardlaw.+ **101 Ways to Bug Your Parents.**

Sneeze wants to go to the Young Inventor's Conference, but his parents put him in summer school.

Waugh. **Space Race.**

Thomas and his dad must soon leave Earth but Thomas doesn't want to go.

Winthrop.+ **Castle in the Attic.**

William receives a toy castle complete with a knight who casts a spell.

Yep. **Cockroach Cooties.**

Bobby has a pet cockroach who becomes a lifesaver for his big brother.

Yolen. **Wizard's Map.**

While visiting Scotland, three children find an ancient map and the vile wizard who created it.

Nonfiction

J158.2 Romain. **Bullies Are a Pain in the Brain.**

Use your brain to outsmart them.

J292 Fisher. **Jason and the Golden Fleece.**

Great adventures and hardships await Jason as he tries to return the Golden Fleece to the king.

J371.9127 Flodin. **Signing for Kids.**

Learn American Sign Language!

J385 Blumberg.+ **Full Steam Ahead: the Race to Build a Transcontinental Railroad.**

Which train company reached Utah first?

J398.2 Demi. **Firebird.**

Quick-tempered woodsman Dimitri finds the magical feather of the Firebird, but it takes the Horse of Power to guide him safely to the lovely Vasilissa.

J398.2 Gonzalez.+ **Senor Cat's Romance and Other Favorite Tales from Latin America.**

Six favorite Latin-American folktales, "cuentos favoritos."

J398.2 Lunge-Larsen.+ **The Troll With No Heart in His Body and Other Tales of Trolls from Norway.**

Big ugly trolls are tricksters but courageous, pure-hearted children can defeat them.

J513 Lewis. **Arithmetickle: an Even Number of Odd Riddle-Rhymes.**

What is it like to be the mailman in a 92-story building, to travel to Kalamazoo, to go sailing in a bathtub? Have fun figuring it out.

J567.91 Dixon. **Dougal Dixon's Amazing Dinosaurs.**

"The fiercest, the tallest, the toughest, and the smallest."

J591.5 Swanson.+ **Animals Eat the Weirdest Things.**

Guess who eats your dandruff?

J597.96 Lavies.+ **Gathering of Garter Snakes.**

What is it like in Manitoba when they emerge from hibernation?

J599.744 North.+ **Rascal.**

The author remembers growing up with a raccoon for a pet.

J599.756 Montgomery.+ **The Man-Eating Tigers of Sundarbans.**

These endangered handsome beasts live in the flooded forest along the Bay of Bengal.

J609 Wulfson.+ **Kid Who Invented the Trampoline: More Stories About Inventing.**

A kangaroo helped, too.

J611 Biesty.* **Incredible Body.**

Meet the teams that make your body work.

J636 Morris.* **Sticky Fingers—Growing Things: Things to Make, Facts, Activities.**

With this book you can grow just about anything from mold to bananas.

J636.7 Patent. **Dogs: the Wolf Within.**

Why dogs behave the way they do.

J641.023 Maze.* **I Want to Be a Chef.**

If you love to eat, cook or experiment with food, this may be the career for you.

J745.5 Irvine. **Build It With Boxes.**

Perfect for crafts, boxes are everywhere.

796.357 Anderson. **Batboy: an Inside Look at Spring Training.**

Kenny discovers the hard work of spring training with the San Francisco Giants.

J797.55 Chapman.* **Extreme Sports: Air.**

Sky-diving, bungee jumping, sky surfing...

J811 Alarcon. **From the Bellybutton of the Moon/ Del Ombligo de la Luna.**

Summer poems in two languages.

J811 Simmie. **Auntie's Knitting a Baby.**

Funny poems about families, germs, spelling and almost everything else!

J811.008 Janeczko. **Dirty Laundry Pile.**

"Mask poems" where all sorts of animals and objects speak up!

J919.8 Steger. **Over the Top of the World.**

Thrilling, grueling and perilous...thank goodness for the sled dogs!

JB FRANKLIN. **The Amazing Life of Benjamin Franklin.**

An inventor, a writer, a publisher and a statesman.

JB KINGSLEY. **Uncommon Traveler: Mary Kingsley in Africa.**

After 25 quiet years at home, Mary went exploring.

JB RIPKIN. **Count Me In.**

The "Ironman" played 2,632 consecutive baseball games.